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The reply brief filed August 24, 2000 has been reviewed. No further answer by the examiner is deemed necessary. The case has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for a decision on the appeal.

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